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House Bill 531

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 36-32-40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
- 2 creation of the Council of Municipal Court Judges of Georgia, membership and organization,
- 3 purpose, expenses, contracts, assistance to council, and members not ineligible to hold office
- 4 of judge, so as to provide that in the event of a vacancy in any elective office on the council
- 5 or a vacancy in a membership position on the Georgia Municipal Courts Training Council
- 6 appointed by the council, the executive committee shall appoint a successor to serve the
- 7 remainder of the unexpired term; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and
- 8 for other purposes.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

10 SECTION 1.

- 11 Code Section 36-32-40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the creation
- of the Council of Municipal Court Judges of Georgia, membership and organization, purpose,
- expenses, contracts, assistance to council, and members not ineligible to hold office of judge,
- 14 is amended by striking subsection (a) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- 15 "(a) There is created a council of municipal court judges to be known as the 'Council of
- Municipal Court Judges of Georgia.' The council shall be composed of the judges of the
- municipal courts of this state. The council is authorized to organize itself and to develop
- a constitution and bylaws. The officers of said council shall consist of a president, a first
- vice president, a second vice president, a secretary, a treasurer, and such other officers as
- the council shall deem necessary. The council shall have an executive committee composed
- of two representatives from each judicial administrative district. <u>In the event of a vacancy</u>
- 22 <u>in any elective office on the council or in the vacancy in a membership position on the</u>
- 23 Georgia Municipal Courts Training Council appointed by the council, the executive
- 24 <u>committee shall appoint a successor to serve the remainder of the unexpired term."</u>

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SECTION 2.

- 2 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 3 without such approval.

4 SECTION 3.

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.